



Inspection Report

LARRY WALLACH

Customer ID: **2134**

Certificate: **21-C-0069**

61 SEAWANE RD.

Site: TRA

VARIOUS TRAVEL LOCATIONS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

EAST ROCKWAY, NY 11518

Date: May-13-2008

2.40 (a) (1)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

Section 2.40(a) (1) states "Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care: Each exhibitor shall have an attending veterinarian who shall provide adequate veterinary care to its animals in compliance with this section. Each exhibitor shall employ an attending veterinarian under formal arrangements. In the case of a part-time attending veterinarian or consultant arrangements, the formal arrangements shall include a written program of veterinary care and regularly scheduled visits to the premises of the exhibitor."

The licensee states the written Program of Veterinary Care is at his home site. He is traveling with and publicly exhibiting 3 tiger cubs, but has no records of the older one's vaccination history and does not know when the young cubs are due for vaccinations. One of the young cubs has large areas of hair loss, but the licensee does not have any medical records to show what treatments were given. A phone conversation with the attending veterinarian relayed skin scrapes and fungal tests were done, but no diagnosis has been made. The Program of Veterinary Care needs to be available to the licensee and USDA to assure proper veterinary care is followed.

The cubs are being bottle fed Esbilac with an unknown amount of Oasis vitamins mixed in. There is no written attending veterinarian approved diet plan for the bottle fed cubs or the young juvenile cub. The diet needs to be described and approved by the attending veterinarian to ensure adequate nutrition for these cubs.

To be corrected by 5-23-08.

2.75 (b) (1)

RECORDS: DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS.

Section 2.75(b)(1) states "Every exhibitor shall make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the following information concerning animals purchased or otherwise acquired, owned, held, leased, or otherwise in his possession or under his control, or which is transported, sold, euthanized, or otherwise disposed of by that exhibitor. Records are to include the name and address of the person from whom the animals were purchased or otherwise acquired; USDA license number of the person if he or she is licensed under the Act; vehicle license number and State, and the driver's license number and State of the person, if he or she is not licensed under the Act; date of purchase or acquisition; species of the animal(s); and number of animals in the shipment."

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Acquisition information is not available for review for the white juvenile tiger cub. To be corrected by 5-23-08.

2.131 (c) (1) **DIRECT NCI**

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

Section 2.131(c) (1) states "Handling of animals. During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public."

The licensee is exhibiting a young juvenile tiger cub to the public. The cub is in a chain link open top cage and was tethered part of the time by a leash attached to the platform in the cage. Members of the public were observed having their pictures made with this tiger. With the tiger on a waist-high platform, the owner stood in front of the platform and had the public person or persons stand behind the platform and lean over the back of the tiger toward its head. Several photo shoots were observed and people were allowed to touch the cat near the neck or head, placing their hands on both sides of the tiger's neck just behind the head, or even alongside its head. At one point the cat was restless and moving its front end quite a bit.

This method of displaying this young juvenile tiger is not adequate to protect the cat and the public from potential harm. The cat's head and body is not adequately restrained to prevent it from potentially turning around, and the public does not have sufficient distance between them and the cat's mouth and front claws to minimize the risk of harm to them.

Also, there is no barrier fence between the public and the tiger's chain link enclosure. People were observed sticking their fingers into the cage while the tiger was off the platform and playing on the ground of the cage. There is no lock on the cage, and at one point during this observation, no attendant was readily present for at least 10 minutes to have kept someone from opening the cage and going in with the tiger.

An attendant was placed by the cage to keep the public away from the cage during this exhibit. Other measures need to be taken to minimize the public's contact with this animal. To be corrected before further photo shoots.

Inspection conducted at Biker Bar in Murrells Inlet, SC.

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